GHENT UNIVERSITY

Course Specifications

Valid as from the academic year 2023-2024

Italian: Language Practice C (A703063)

Course size *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

Credits 5.0 **Study time 150 h**

Course offerings in academic year 2024-2025

Lecturers in academic year 2024-2025

Izzo, Giuliano	LW22	lecturer-in-charge
De Cristofaro, Elisa	LW22	co-lecturer

Offered in the following programmes in 2024-2025	**crdts**	**offering**

Teaching languages

Italian, Dutch

Keywords

Italian, writing, listening, vocabulary, contrastive grammar, text type

Position of the course

The study unit “Italian Language Practice C” (I2PC) aims to refine the students’ listening skills. Moreover, students are encouraged to produce an Italian text of average difficulty. The course deals with a variety of subjects and text types.

Contents

The unit of study “Italian Language Practice C” (I2PC) consists of the following parts:
- Listening skills: students listen to a wide range of subjects from radio and TV programmes. The students learn techniques in order to improve their listening skills;
- Writing Skills: the exercises for writing skills are divided into preparing exercises (with special attention to how a text is constructed: independent and dependent clauses, connectives) and production of different text types. Moreover, the students learn to use dictionaries judiciously.

Initial competences

The final objectives of the differnt Italian units of study of the first bachelor year.

Final competences

1 Having a command of Italian at B2 level of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages for listening, writing and vocabulary [B.1.2, assessed]
2 Recognising and independently interpreting language structures and language variation of Italian, with close attention for contrastive aspects compared to Dutch. [B.1.3, assessed]
3 Having a command of Italian grammar, with respect to complex phrases, sequence and use of tenses. [B.1.3, assessed]
4 Having a good knowledge of lexical structures of Italian, with close attention for contrastive aspects compared to Dutch. [B.1.3, assessed]
5 Editing well structured texts, applying the rules of grammar and assessing it critically, thereby justifying the text type appropriate to the purpose, target group and media. [B.6.2, assessed]
6 Having knowledge of relevant dictionaries, reference works and electronic aids, using them adequately and efficiently, and critically evaluating them. [B.6.5, not assessed]

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

Conditions for exam contract

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

Teaching methods

Seminar, Practical, Independent work

Extra information on the teaching methods

Seminar: students practice writing and listening skills and apply their knowledge
Practicals: students practice certain writing and listening skills, individually or in small groups, using pc's or the specific infrastructure for listening exercises.
Independent work: students must produce weekly written assignments that are discussed in class. Students must prepare for the lesson by studying the syllabus and the handbook.

Study material

None

References

Lo Cascio, V. (2007). *Van Dale Praktijkwoordenboek Italiaans-Nederlands en Nederlands-Italiaans*. Utrecht / Antwerpen, Van Dale uitgevers

Course content-related study coaching

The electronic learning platform. The lecturers are available to answer any additional questions during the lectures and during the consultation hour.

Assessment moments

end-of-term and continuous assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period

Written assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period

Written assessment

Examination methods in case of permanent assessment

Written assessment

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment

examination during the second examination period is possible

Extra information on the examination methods

Continuous assessment (50%): the students are required to complete atleast two writing tasks; practical examples of the requested texts will be given during the lessons. Vocabulary knowledge is also assessed.
Written exam (50%): listening exercise, vocabulary knowledge, translation Dutch>Italian
Second session: the written exam (100%) consists of a listening exercise and vocabulary exercises, translation exercises Dutch>Italian and finally two writing exercises.

Calculation of the examination mark

See heading Details Evaluatievormen

Facilities for Working Students

Possible exemption from educational activities requiring student attendance
Possible rescheduling of the examination to a different time in the same academic year
Feedback can be given by email, telephone or during an appointment during or after office hours

Addendum

I2PC